

MOTION SHEET

I move to approve item 21 with the following direction:

The City Manager is directed to implement a pilot guaranteed basic income program as proposed with the following additional direction:

- The final contract should: achieve a defined City public purpose, including but not limited to economic development under chapter 380 of the Local Government Code; ensure financial controls are in place for the city to achieve its public purpose; and ensure the city receives a benefit that is commensurate with the expenditure of public funds.
- Selection criteria is to be made by the City of Austin including building upon existing processes for identifying households at risk of eviction and homelessness in collaboration with the Homeless Strategy Office;
- Pilot procedures and processes will leverage and build on learned best practices including from previous RISE direct assistance disbursements, for example, the use of partnerships with community organizations serving potential pilot participants;
- Pilot may include opportunities for individuals to connect with other participants and build connections to grow and strengthen their social networks, as well as connection through the pilot administrator and City of Austin to identify and provide access to additional services as necessary;
- Effectiveness of this program is to be determined using a third-party to monitor and review the results, including following a control cohort for comparison, and the study period should include a period of time after the proposed 12-month period of assistance;
- Success of this program will be defined in line with other guaranteed income programs across the country, as well as existing Strategic Direction 2023 metrics, including but not limited to changes in income, food security and economic mobility, increased housing stability outcomes, and improved financial capacity assessments; and
- The City Manager is directed to report back to Council upon completion of the 12 month period with the interim results and recommendations for further action.